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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants

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Application No.

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COMMAND INTERFACE USING FINGERPRINTECHNOLOGY Center 2600

SENSOR INPUT SYSTEM

Examiner

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Docket No.

99-B-156 (850063.571)

Date

December 3, 2002

Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Office Action dated June 4, 2002, please extend the period of time for response three (3) months, to expire on December 4, 2002. Enclosed are a Petition for an Extension of Time and the requisite fee. Please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend claims 1, 2, 4, 11-17, 20 and 22 to read as follows:

1. (Amended) An apparatus comprising:

a substrate;

a plurality of position sensing devices located on the substrate for detecting the presence of an object;

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